



Indonesian Islamist File Reports on Poem with Blasphemy



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An Indonesian Islamic activist Muhammad Subhan accompanied by lawyers from the Defenders of Islam Association or API has reported the daughter of the most respectful Indonesian president and founding father Soekarno, Sukmawati Soekarnoputri, to the police for not only allegedly violating Article 156a of the Criminal Code (KUHP) on religious blasphemy, but also breaking Article 16 of Law No. 40/2008 on hate speech and SARA or the elimination of sentiments against tribal affiliation, religion, race and societal groups.

[It was also reported earlier that many politicians and Islamic groups had done the same thing]

According to Muhammad, the report is due to her poem she read at the Indonesia Fashion Week 2018 and the 29th celebration of Anne Avantie as a designer in Jakarta on Sunday night (1 April).

Her poem entitled *Ibu Indonesia* (Mother Indonesia) depicting her restlessness on Indonesian rich fashion and traditions which are currently neglected, while those of conservative Islamic traditions are widely adopted in the country.

Muhammad said, however, that the poem looks down on Islamic teachings about cadar or the burqa and adzan or call for prayer.

He also said Tuesday (on 3 April) that unless the law was professionally enforced, the so-called nagging and sneaking suspicion would quickly grow and spread up among the people. As a result, the disintegrated nation could not be prevented from taking place in the country.

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